



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held November 27, 2007, the Board took the following action:

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At the time and place regularly set, notice having been duly given, the following item was called up:

Hearing on amendments to the County Code, Title 15 - Vehicles and Traffic, relating to the establishment of the San Pasqual Preferential Parking District No. 1 in the unincorporated community of San Pasqual (5), and imposition of a permit fee of \$80 per household within the District, renewable every three years to cover all County costs for issuance of parking permits, fabrication and installation of permit parking signs and administration of the Parking District; also find that the proposed ordinance is categorically exempt from the Environmental Guidelines; as further described in the attached letter dated October 23, 2007 from the Director of Public Works.

All persons wishing to testify were sworn in by the Executive Officer of the Board. Opportunity was given for interested persons to address the Board. Barbara Spaulding, Mary Trinnaman, Brenda Economides, Sarah Rudchenko, Andrew Delscamp, Rachel Martinez Inclan and others addressed the Board. Correspondence was presented.

Supervisor Antonovich made the following statement:

"On October 23, 2007, due to lack of adequate notice to the impacted residents, I moved to continue this item which proposes that this Board establish a preferential parking district in the San Pasqual area of unincorporated Pasadena.

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“Since then, my office and the Department of Public Works have met with impacted residents, the Pasadena Unified School District and the principal of Hamilton Elementary School.

“For several years, residents have complained that the lack of teacher parking at Hamilton Elementary School has impacted the quality of life in their neighborhood. Residents initiated the process for establishing a preferential parking district which at one time received the support of a majority of the residents. In the last couple of weeks, many residents have called or written my office to express their position on the proposed parking district. Opinion varies but all seem to agree that there is a problem with traffic circulation and parking adjacent to the school during arrival and dismissal hours. In the interest of safety for children attending the school, a review of traffic controls at intersections near the school is needed along with changes to the on-street parking immediately adjacent to the school.”

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried, the Board closed the hearing and took the following actions:

1. Denied the establishment of the San Pasqual Preferential Parking District No. 1; and
2. Instructed the Director of Public Works to:
 - Install multi-way stop controls at the intersections of Rose Villa Street at San Marino Avenue, Rose Villa Street at Oak Avenue, and Rose Villa Street at Craig Avenue;
 - Analyze whether any of these three intersections meet the County's guidelines to deploy crossing guards;
 - Upgrade the existing uncontrolled crosswalks in the vicinity of the school with ladder type markings for increased visibility and upgrade the existing signage;

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- Extend the sidewalk on the east side of San Marino Avenue an additional 100 ft. to extend to the boundary of the City of Pasadena;
- Remove existing “No Parking” and “No Stopping” signs on the west side of Craig Avenue, and replace them with a “Passenger Loading Zone” between the hours of 7 to 9 a.m. and 2 to 4 p.m., school days only. This area will be the beginning of the drop off/pick up valet system recently initiated by the school;
- Remove the existing “No Parking 7 to 9 a.m. and 12 to 4 p.m. School Days Only” signs on the north side of Rose Villa Street, and replace them with “Passenger Loading Zone” signs between the hours of 7 to 9 a.m. and 2 to 4 p.m., school days only;
- Remove the existing 20-minute parking zone in front of the school on the north side of Rose Villa Street to accommodate approximately 135 feet of additional parking for teachers and visitors to the school;
- Initiate proceedings in compliance with the Vehicle Code to notify the public of the possible removal of the marked crosswalk on the north stretch of Craig Avenue at Rose Villa Street. Removal of this marked crosswalk is intended to guide pedestrians at the south stretch;
- Install a “No U-turn” sign at Rose Villa Street at Oak Avenue; and
- Send a letter to Hamilton Elementary School requesting that they notify the parents of their students of the new passenger loading zones that will be installed and encourage them to drop-off and pick-up their children in a uniform direction which is southbound on Craig Avenue, westbound on Rose Villa Street, and northbound on either San Marino Avenue or Berkeley Avenue.

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In addition, the Board instructed the Director of Public Works to compare the County's guidelines for establishing a preferential parking district with other jurisdictions such as Pasadena and Long Beach and to submit to the Board within 60 days recommendations for changes that can be implemented to improve the current process.

Further, Supervisor Antonovich requested any interested residents in this neighborhood who may want to re-initiate a preferential parking district for just their individual block, to wait until after the Director of Public Works has finished his review of the County's current guidelines, and until the effectiveness of the other suggested changes have been reviewed and/or implemented.

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Attachments

Copies distributed:

- Each Supervisor
- Sheriff
- Chief Executive Officer
- County Counsel
- Director of Public Works